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UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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Attorney Docket No.

6-17-18-166-3

First Inventor

Anderson

Title

Method and System for Eliminating Extrusions
in Semiconductor Vias

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

ADDRESS TO:

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
3. ☒ See 37 CFR 1.27.
Specification (Total Pages 14)
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) (Total Sheets 4)
Formal
5. Oath or Declaration (Total Sheets 5)
 - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

a. ☐ Computer Reader Form (CRF)

b. Specification Sequence Listing on:

i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or

ii. ☐ Paper

c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☒ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☒ Other: change of Correspondence Address statement under 37 CFR 3.73(c)

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18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation

☒ Divisional

☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No. 09/586,586

Prior application information:

Examiner Asok K. Sarkar

Art Unit: 2829

For CONTINUATION OF DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 770.00

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Application Number	
Filing Date	
First Named Inventor	Anderson
Examiner Name	
Art Unit	
Attorney Docket No.	6-17-18-166-3

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☐ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other ☐ None

☒ Deposit Account:

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Account
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Name

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Agere Systems Inc.

The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 770	2001 385	Utility filing fee	770.00
1002 340	2002 170	Design filing fee	
1003 530	2003 265	Plant filing fee	
1004 770	2004 385	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)			(\$ 770.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
3	-20** = 0	0	0
1	-3** = 0	0	0
Multiple Dependent			0

<u>Large Entity</u>		<u>Small Entity</u>		<u>Fee Description</u>
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 950	2253 475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,480	2254 740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,010	2255 1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal	
1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,330	2501 665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 480	2502 240	Design issue fee	
1503 640	2503 320	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806 180	1806 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021 40	8021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809 770	2809 385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810 770	2810 385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 770	2801 385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 0

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Patent Application for:

Applicants: Steven Mark Anderson et al.

Atty. No: 6-17-18-166-3

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Signature: Wendy W. Koba

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant/Patent Owner: Agere Systems Inc.Application No./Patent No.: 09/586,586 Filed/Issued Date: June 2, 2000Entitled: Method and System for Eliminating Extrusions in Semiconductor ViasAgere Systems Inc. corporation

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

1. ☒ (X) the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or2. ☐ () an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.

The extent (by, percentage) of its ownership interest is _____ %

In the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

A. ☐ () An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

B. ☒ (X) A Chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:1. From Inventor(s) To: Lucent Technologies Inc.The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 011275, Frame 0923, or for which a copy thereof is attached.2. From Lucent Technologies Inc. To: Agere Systems Guardian Corp.

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3. From Agere Systems Guardian Corp. To: Agere Systems Inc.

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☐ () Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet.☒ (X) Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

[Note: A separate copy (i.e., the original assignment document or a true copy of the original document) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, if the assignment is to be recorded in the records of the USPTO. See MPEP 302.08]

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

11/10/03

Date

Wendy W. Koba

Typed or printed name

Wendy W. Koba

Signature

Corporate Counsel

Title

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PATENT APPLICATION

Prior Application: Anderson 4-5-10-81-1
Serial No.: 09/586,586
Filing Date: June 2, 2000
Group Art Unit: 2829
Examiner: Asok K. Sarkar
Status: Allowed

Case Anderson 6-17-18-166-3

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CONTINUATION/DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)

SIR:

This is a request for filing a ^a continuation ^a divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) of prior Application Serial No. 09/586,586, filed on June 2, 2000 entitled Method and system for eliminating extrusions in semiconductor vias

Enclosed are the following papers relating to the above-identified application:

- ☒ ^a Specification (Total Pages: 14)
- ☒ ^a Drawings (Total Sheets: 4) Formal
- ☒ ^a Copy of "Declaration and Power of Attorney" from prior application (Total Pages: 4)
- ☒ ^a Newly executed "Declaration and Power of Attorney" (if adding inventors) (Total Pages:)
- ☒ ^a Newly executed "Assignment and Agreement" (if adding inventors) (Total Pages:)
- ☒ ^a Incorporation By Reference

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

☒ ^a **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**

Signed statement attached (under 37 CFR § 1.63(d)(2)) deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application

☒ ^a Information Disclosure Statement

☒ ^a Copy of "Extension of Time"

☒ ^a Other:

Assignment and Agreement from Prior Application
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) from Prior Application

- 11. ^a Cancel the following original claims in the prior application before calculating the filing fee: 1-18

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED AT No. 11 ABOVE				
	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
Total Claims	3 -20 =	0	x \$18 =	0
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0	x \$86 =	0
Multiple Dependent Claims(s), if applicable			+ \$290 =	
Basic Fee				\$770
TOTAL FEE				770.00

12. * Amend the specification by inserting before the first line this sentence:

This is a * continuation * divisional of Application Serial No. 09/586,586, filed on June 2, 2000.

☒ * Preliminary Amendment

☒ * Amendment Fee:

* No additional fee is required.

* An additional amendment fee is calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For (from above)	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims for Fee Purposes	3	minus	21	0	x \$18	0
Independent Claims	1	minus	3	0	x 86	0
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) first presented with this amendment, if applicable.					+ \$290	0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:						


15. Please charge the total amount of \$ 770.00 to Agere Systems Inc. Deposit Account No. **501735**.

Duplicate copies of this letter are enclosed. In the event of non-payment of improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit **Deposit Account No. 501735** as required to correct the error.

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time if not submitted with the reply.

Please address all correspondence to **Wendy W. Koba, Esq.** PO Box 556, Springtown, PA 18081. Telephone calls should be made to me at 610-346-7112.

Respectfully,


Wendy W. Koba, Esq.
Attorney for Applicant(s), Reg. No.30509

Date: 11/12/03